

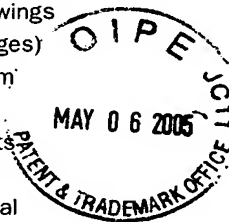
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May 6, 2005

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2005, Applicants respectfully elect species (e), that is, the species of Figs. 9(A)-9(D), for further prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application.

It is respectfully submitted that all of claims 1-15 read on the elected species.

Accordingly, consideration of the claims reading on the elected species (e), that is, claims 1-15, in due course, is respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, and for which no other form of payment is offered, be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2135, or credit any overage in fees submitted herewith (Case: 503.35255VX8).

Respectfully submitted,

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